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Examiner Akkapeddi:

As requested, attached is a reduced copy of FORM PCT/DO EO 903 received from PTO on August 15, 2000. Please contact us if you have any questions, or when you have an updated status from the LIE group as to the entry of the May 12, 2004 Amendment After Allowance under Rule 312.

Sincerely,

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